

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 452 - SB 562

February 9, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a prisoner of a county workhouse or jail who is released from custody on work release, or otherwise allowed to leave the grounds of the facility for employment or to perform work in the community, to wear an electronic monitoring device at all times when not on the facility grounds. Requires the entity employing the prisoner or utilizing the prisoner for work to pay the costs of the electronic monitoring device.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent a county sheriff may assign prisoners to perform work not on the grounds of a county workhouse or jail, the sheriff could realize a significant increase in expenditures related to electronic monitoring. Due to multiple unknown variables, a precise fiscal impact cannot be reasonably quantified.

Assumptions:

- For cases in which a prisoner is permitted to perform work off the grounds of a county workhouse or jail for a private entity, the private entity will be responsible for any costs associated with electronic monitoring.
- It is unknown how many sheriffs may assign prisoners to perform work off of the grounds of county workhouses or jails, how many prisoners they may assign to do so, whether or not they currently utilize electronic monitoring, or how the proposed legislation may affect the practice of doing so.
- To the extent a county sheriff may assign prisoners to perform work off of facility grounds, and the sheriff is not already utilizing electronic monitoring, the sheriff may realize a significant increase in expenditures associated with electronic monitoring. However, due to the multiple unknown variables, a precise fiscal impact cannot be reasonably quantified.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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